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1. WE WOULD LIKE TO MOVE QUICKLY TO BRING DIRECTLY TO THE
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UNITED STATES IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS THE UP TO 1200 CAMBODIANS

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ENTRY. PLEASE FIND OUT WHICH WANT TO REMAIN IN THAILAND PENDING A POSSIBLE RETURN TO CAMBODIA OR TRAVEL TO FRANCE. YOU SHOULD DETERMINE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE WHICH MEMBERS OF THIS GROUP PREFER RESETTLEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AND INFORM THE DEPT OF THE NUMBER.

2. AFTER YOU HAVE DETERMINED WHICH FAMILIES ARE INTERESTED AND ELIGIBLE FOR RESETTLEMENT IN THE US, A LIST OF FAMILIES SHOULD BE PREPARED WHICH GROUPS TOGETHER MEMBERS OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY UNITS.

3. SEVEN US VOLUNTARY AGENCIES (VOLAGS) HAVE AGREED TO DIVIDE UP THOSE APPROX 1200 CAMBODIAN REFUGEES IN THAILAND WHO ARE COVERED BY THE US PAROLE PROGRAM FOR RESETTLEMENT IN US. SPECIFICALLY FOLLOWING APPROX DIVISION AGREED TO: AMERICAN FUND FOR CZECHOSLOVAK REFUGEES 100; CHURCH WORLD SERVICE 250; INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE 150; MIGRATION AND REFUGEE SERVICES OF US CATHOLIC CONFERENCE 150; TOLSTOY FOUNDATION 150; UNITED HIAS SERVICE 150; LUTHERAN IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE SERVICE 250. IN THE EVENT THE TOTAL PLUS OR MINUS 1000, A PRO-RATED DIVISION WILL APPLY.

4. VOLAGS HAVE AGREED THESE REFUGEES TO BE SELECTED/DIVIDED AMONGST THEM ON BASIS OF RANDOM ARBITRARY ASSIGNMENT, NOT RPT NOT BY REFUGEE CHOICE. ASSIGNMENT TO SPONSORING AGENCY SHOULD BE ON FAMILY, NOT INDIVIDUAL BASIS. IDEALLY EVERY SEVENTH FAMILY GROUP WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO A SEPARATE AGENCY BUT WE LEAVE ACTUAL DIVISION TO YOUR JUDGEMENT. HOWEVER, YOU MIGHT WISH TO PLACE SEPERATE FAMILY UNITS OF THE SAME EXTENDED FAMILY WITH ONE VOLUNTARY AGENCY. ONLY EXCEPTION TO ARBITRARY SELECTION PROCESS WILL BE FORMER EMPLOYEES OF ONE OF ABOVE VOLAGS, E.G. CATHOLIC RELIEF EMPLOYEES WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THAT AGENCY AND WORLD VISION TO CHURCH WORLD SERVICE. IF LIST IS IMPOSSIBLE TO COMPILE AND EMBASSY STAFF IS UNABLE TO PROVIDE, ICEM MIGHT BE ASKED TO DO THE SURVEY.

5. LIST SHOULD BE COMPILED FOR EACH VOLAG WHICH INCLUDE NAME OF FAMILY HEAD AND NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS, AGES AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OCCUPATION OF FAMILY HEAD.

6. TASK FORCE ARRANGING FOR RESTAGING CENTER IN US. WILL ADVISE DETAILS ASAP. INS IS ALREADY FULLY COMMITTED TO SCREENING IN GUAM AND WILL NOT SEND ANYONE TO BANGKOK. EMBASSY IS AUTHORIZED IN MESSAGES ALREADY TRANSMITTED TO PROCESS FOR PAROLE KHMER FOR WHICH USG HAS RESPONSIBILITY. WHEN LISTS HAVE BEEN COMPILED THE INFO

SHOULD BE SENT EITHER BY TELEX FACILITY, IF AVAIL-
ABLE, TO HIAS IN NEW YORK WHICH HAS AGREED TO BE COORDIN-
ATOR OR TO SECSTATE SLUGGED FOR BROWN IATF FOR DISTRIBU-
TION. INFO IS URGENTLY NEEDED SO VOLAG CAN BEGIN
PLACEMENT SURVEY BEFORE REFUGEES ENTER THE US. WE AIM
TO MOVE THE PAROLED CAMBODIANS DURING THE COMING WEEK.
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